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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Rhea et al

Serial No.: 10/087,554

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Filed: March 1, 2002

For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR

INDICATING THE AMOUNT OF

WATER CONTAINED IN A HUMIDIFIER WATER BOTTLE

Group Art Unit: 1724

Examiner: Bushey

Atty. Dkt. No.: ESPD:200

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2003

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted as a response to the office action dated September 26, 2003 (Friday, December 26, 2003, was a holiday in the District of Columbia). Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees required for any reason relating to this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 to 1.21 from Howrey Simon Arnold & White Deposit Account No. 01-2508, Order No. 10872.0200.NPUS00.